Outstanding dues against organisations

2872. SHRI AMAR SINGH:

SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the organisations which are issued air tickets by Indian Airlines on the receipt of Exchange orders duly signed by the competent authority;

(b) the quantum of amount which is outstanding against each organisation as on 31st March, 2003; and

(c) what steps are being taken to recover that amount from them during the last three years and with what results?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Import of Chinese goods

†2873. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether he is aware that Chinese goods are being stockpiled in the country;

(b) whether Chinese goods are being imported as per the import policy and tax regime; and

(c) if not, whether he has held any dialogue with the Government of China on this problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI A. ANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) Chinese goods, like goods from any other country, are freely importable into the country under the present liberalised import policy subject to such restrictions which are also uniformly applicable to imports from all other countries. However, imports are constantly monitored to ensure, through appropriate tariff and other measures, including anti-dumping action, that they do not cause serious injury to the domestic industry.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) Yes, Sir. In case any violation is noticed punitive action as per law is taken.

(c) No, Sir.

Private placements with UTI

2874. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE:
SHRI SANJAY NIRUMPAM:
SHRI N. K. PREMACHANDRAN:
SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI K. B. KRISHNA MURTHY:

Will the Minister FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Vigilance Commission has written to Government that an inquiry be conducted by the Central Bureau of Investigation into investments by private placements with UTI;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto and by when a decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Tarapore Committee had recommended, *inter alia*, that the cases be referred to a pre-investigative body. Government had referred 19 cases to the Advisory Board on Banks, Commerical and Financial Frauds under CVC as a pre-investigative body. In January 2003, Chief Vigilance Commissioner wrote to the Government suggesting that ideal pre-investigative body would be CBI.

(c) In recommendation no. 252 contained in para 16.37, the JPC on Stock Market Scam and matters relating thereto recommended a thorough enquiry of secondary market transactions of UTI in the shares of 89 companies identified by the Tarapore Committee SEBI.

The Government, in consultation with SEBI have referred 89 cases for inquiry by SEBI.